

MIDTERM EXAM A2.1

Listening

Recording 1 Listen to the conversation. CLICK (✓) the correct answers, a or b.

- 1 When was Eva's birthday?
a last Saturday b last Sunday ✓
- 2 Who did Eva have breakfast with?
a her parents b her friend
- 3 What did she do after breakfast?
a swam in the sea b visited her parents
- 4 What did her family buy her?
a earrings b new clothes
- 5 What did Eva's friends give her?
a a ticket for a concert b some music
- 6 Where did Eva and her family have dinner?
a a pizza restaurant b a French restaurant

2 Listen to *Claire*. Write true (T) or false (F).

- 1 Claire's first visit to Dubai was last year. F
- 2 Claire liked Dubai a lot.
- 3 Their hotel was by the beach.
- 4 Mani enjoyed cooking on holiday.
- 5 They liked driving in the desert.
- 6 Claire bought some sunglasses.

Grammar

Complete the sentences with the past simple form of the verbs in brackets.

- 1 We stayed (stay) in a fantastic hotel in Italy.
- 2 Last year I _____ (study) hard for my exams.
- 3 A lot of people _____ (go) to the concert.
- 4 The footballers _____ (be) amazing.
- 5 Josie _____ (make) breakfast for all the family last Sunday.
- 6 We _____ (drive) to the mountains yesterday.

Choose the correct words in brackets to complete the conversation.

A: How ¹ much rice is there in the cupboard?
(any, much, many)

B: ² _____! We used it all yesterday.
(Some, Any, None)

A: So, we need to buy ³ _____ more rice.
(many, some, any)

Anything else?

B: We don't need pasta. We've got ⁴ _____ that.
(lots of, many, any)

A: OK. Do we need ⁵ _____ vegetables?
(some, lots of, any)

B: Yes, we need ⁶ _____ potatoes and salad.
(much, many, some)

Complete the sentences with the correct comparative or superlative form of the adjective in brackets.

- 1 The sofa is more comfortable (comfortable) than the chair.
- 2 Maths is the _____ (easy) subject for me.
- 3 Thai Palace is the _____ (good) restaurant in this town.
- 4 Football is _____ (popular) than tennis.
- 5 Brown rice is _____ (healthy) than white rice.
- 6 This is the _____ (old) part of the city.
- 7 This hotel is the _____ (bad) in the city.
- 8 The _____ (interesting) place to visit is the Natural History Museum.

Vocabulary

Complete the sentences with the correct words. The first letter of each word is given.

- 1 C offee is a popular breakfast drink.
- 2 I bought v _____ to make a salad.
- 3 Selina has a c _____ of tea in the afternoon.
- 4 My father's favourite meat is c _____
- 5 Can you buy a c _____ of juice, please?
- 6 There's a p _____ of pasta in the cupboard.
- 8 Eating lots of f _____ is good for your health.

Function

Choose the correct alternatives. Then match 1–5 with responses a–e.

- 1 What / How can I help you? d
- 2 Any / You want hot drinks with that? _____
- 3 I want / I'd like a tea, please. _____
- 4 Can / Would I have a cheese sandwich, please? _____
- 5 Can I pay for / by card? _____

- a Would you like it hot or cold?
b Yes, please. Can I get a small coffee?
c Yes, of course. That's £3.50, please.
d I'll have a cheese sandwich, please.
e Sure. Take a seat and I'll bring it over.

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Reading

Complete the article with sentences a–i.

Then and now

When my parents were young, life in London was very different to now. ¹ d People usually lived in houses. My mum and dad lived in a small house in east London. ² ____ My mum needed to wash their clothes by hand.

Working life was different then too. My dad worked in a furniture company and my mum was a secretary. ³ ____ They worked from nine in the morning until five in the afternoon. My dad sometimes worked at the weekends to earn more money. ⁴ ____ It was a cheap way to travel. Not many people owned cars then. They were very expensive. ⁵ ____

There weren't many shops at that time. ⁶ ____ There were no supermarkets back then. The first supermarket opened in south London in 1951. There weren't many clothes shops either. ⁷ ____

In their free time, my parents liked listening to music. ⁸ ____ They didn't like playing sport, but my dad liked to go to football matches. At that time, people didn't travel to other countries for their holidays. ⁹ ____

- a My dad bought a car when he was 30 years old.
- b She worked in an office.
- c My mum made a lot of her clothes.
- d ~~There weren't lots of flats like there are today.~~
- e They didn't have a TV or a washing machine.
- f They often went to concerts.
- g They usually went to stay with their families.
- h Many people took the bus to work.
- i My parents bought food from the market.

Writing

Write a story about when you met someone special write your own story.

- when and where you met
- why you were there
- other people there
- what you did
- what you talked about

Write 50–80 words.

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